

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Port Royal Elementary Beaufort County

Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 358

Principal: Kay Keeler

Superintendent: Dr. Valerie Truesdale

**Board Chair: Fred Washington** 

### **PERFORMANCE**

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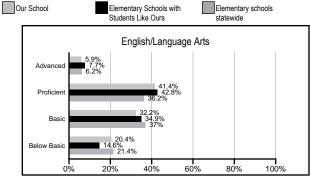
| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 2008 | Average         | Below Average | TBD                        | Not Met    | N/A                     |
| 2007 | Average         | At-Risk       | N/A                        | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2006 | Below Average   | Below Average | N/A                        | Not Met    | N/A                     |

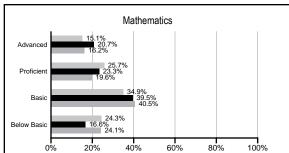
# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

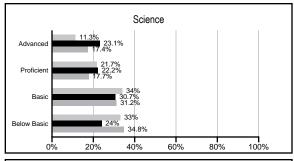
| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 1         | 34   | 57      | 3             | 0       |

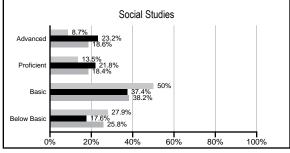
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

#### **PACT PERFORMANCE**





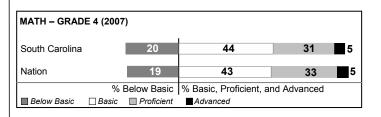


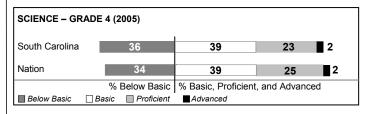


#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

| READING – GRADE 4 (2007) |                  |                                   |    |          |  |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----|----------|--|
| South Carolina           | 41               | 33                                | 20 | <b>5</b> |  |
| Nation                   | 34               | 34 24                             |    | 7        |  |
|                          | % Below Basic    | % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced |    |          |  |
| Below Basic              | Basic Proficient | Advanced                          |    |          |  |





#### SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

# Port Royal Elementary [Beaufort County] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

|                                                                            | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary<br>Schools with<br>Students Like<br>Ours | Median<br>Elementary<br>School |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Students (n=358)                                                           |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Retention rate                                                             | 1.2%       | No Change             | 2.1%                                                | 2.3%                           |
| Attendance rate                                                            | 97.8%      | Up from 97.2%         | 96.4%                                               | 96.3%                          |
| Eligible for gifted and talented                                           | 0.6%       | Down from 20.6%       | 14.7%                                               | 10.4%                          |
| With disabilities other than speech                                        | 6.1%       | Down from 7.8%        | 7.0%                                                | 7.5%                           |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                                | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers (n=25)                                                            |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                             | 52.0%      | Up from 50.0%         | 58.8%                                               | 56.7%                          |
| Continuing contract teachers                                               | 76.0%      | Up from 73.3%         | 79.5%                                               | 77.3%                          |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates                        | 0.0%       | Down from 3.8%        | 0.0%                                                | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                      | 75.5%      | Down from 79.0%       | 89.3%                                               | 86.4%                          |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                    | 94.1%      | Down from 94.4%       | 94.9%                                               | 94.9%                          |
| Average teacher salary                                                     | \$46,773   | Up 1.2%               | \$46,302                                            | \$45,345                       |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                            | 0.0%       | Down from 11.1%       | 0.0%                                                | 0.0%                           |
| School                                                                     |            |                       |                                                     |                                |
| Principal's years at school                                                | 6.0        | No Change             | 5.0                                                 | 4.0                            |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                     | 21.1 to 1  | Up from 20.0 to 1     | 19.4 to 1                                           | 18.5 to 1                      |
| Prime instructional time                                                   | 91.0%      | Up from 88.9%         | 90.2%                                               | 89.8%                          |
| Opportunities in the arts                                                  | Good       | No Change             | Good                                                | Good                           |
| SACS accreditation                                                         | No         | Down from Yes         | Yes                                                 | Yes                            |
| Character development program                                              | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                                           | Excellent                      |
| Dollars spent per pupil*                                                   | \$7,829    | Up 22.8%              | \$6,455                                             | \$7,052                        |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction*                                   | 73.6%      | Up from 72.6%         | 69.4%                                               | 69.1%                          |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*                              | 72.4%      | Up from 70.7%         | 65.5%                                               | 64.2%                          |
| % of AYP objectives met                                                    | 76.5%      |                       | 92.3%                                               | 85.7%                          |
| * Prior year audited financial data available.                             |            |                       | 1                                                   | •                              |

#### EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 25       | 39        | 45       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 92.0%    | 94.9%     | 86.7%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 96.0%    | 84.2%     | 86.0%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 100.0%   | 92.1%     | 93.3%    |

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The campus of the historical Port Royal Elementary School, founded in 1911, remains at the center of the Town of Port Royal. The small-town setting allows for learning to take place both inside and outside of the classroom. As an authorized International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB-PYP), PRES continues to be guided by the philosophy that education is for the whole child.

Attendance numbers fluctuated this year from three hundred and forty-six to three hundred and sixty-eight students due to military obligations, shifting economic situations, and the seasonal availability of rentals. These statistics remain in the forefront of plans, for this movement impacts all students enrolled.

Teachers met weekly while the SIC met monthly to discuss standards, data, and plans to help with student achievement. Certified teachers tutored daily after school, and intervention groups were pulled during the school day for reading and math. Teachers incorporated the instruction of reading with non-fiction books based on science and social studies standards. This year we were able to add a math/science coach to our staff. This offered coaching and modeling for the teachers with small group and one-on-one instruction with students. Teachers increased the number of science experiments in the classroom for hands-on learning. RIT Band Math groups were implemented three times a week, which afforded intense strategies to be used based on the level students scored on MAP in the different math areas. An early childhood interventionist worked closely with kindergarten students who had no prior schooling. Reading Recovery for first graders continued along with a literacy coach for part of the year. The arts were extended to class and individual projects based on social studies and science standards. Varieties of class set ups included single gender, looping, multi-age classes, and shared teaching among subjects. We will continue to analyze the data to meet the needs of the children and to decide to continue or discontinue strategies and programs as deemed by the findings.

Port Royal continues to thrive as a school with high parental involvement. Three school-wide celebrations for each grade level, one portfolio showcase, five family nights, monthly parenting classes, and two ESOL gatherings brought over 1,000 parents and community members to the school after hours. A school wellness/health committee utilized the community to bring awareness to healthy life styles. Mentoring by our feeder high school varsity football team, local businesses, and parents offered extra time for students to realize the value of citizenship and community connections.

The SIC created and implemented three Quiz Bowls based on the South Carolina standards as a way to review for PACT and to celebrate the mastery of standards and student achievement. The faculty, staff, and school improvement council will continue to follow the goals of the strategic plan in maintaining lower teacher-pupil ratio, intervention groups to compact learning and mastery of skills, a strong related arts program, and the IB-PYP to enhance learning and close achievement gaps. Next year we will have full-time math, technology, and literacy

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